Discussion Title
Allocation of Foundation Grants to Technology Needs

Summary
As part of ACCJC's Recommendation 6, Cuesta College needs a source of on-going support for technology maintenance. A "Gap Analysis" has been created by our Accreditation Steering Committee, and shows the need for "regular and systematic maintenance and replacement of technology."
Over the past three years, the Foundations has generously supported the College with over $576,000 in grants - almost $214,000 of which were related to technology (computers, software, technology upgrades equipment). In 2012 alone, over $80,000 was allocated to technology grants.
I would like to recommend that we create an on-going source of revenue for the College by alloting at least 50% and up to $100,000 of our annual Foundation Grant funds to the use of technology on campus. This allocation will target the objectives of the new Technology Plan by creating an annual funding stream. Integrating the allocation of funds into our plans and processes will provide evidence that Cuesta and the Foundation are able to move ahead together in the integrated allocation of resources.

Funding Amount
50% or up to $100,000 of Annual Foundation Grants Money

Foundation Staff Comments
As the College implements the new Technology Plan, fewer 'silooed' requests from individual departments should be coming into the Foundation Grant Process. We will also ask Computer Services to give us an accounting of how the funds were spent, similar to what we do today.

Approval to Move Discussion Item Forward

Approved ☑ Denied ☐